Figure 11 **Selected OECD Countries: Percent Change in Value of Currencies Relative to** the US Dollar, 1989-97^a

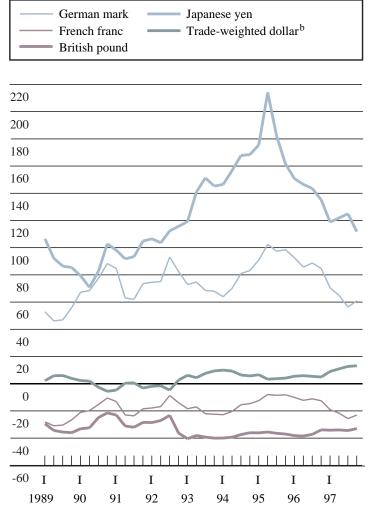
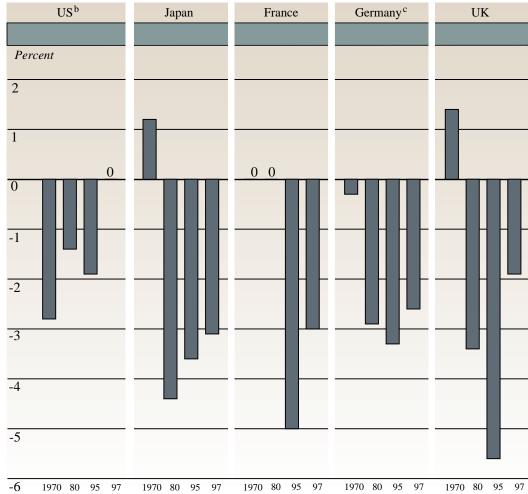


Figure 12 **Selected OECD Countries: Government Budget** Balance as a Share of GDP, 1970-97^a



^aChange relative to selected foreign currencies, as compared with March 1973.

^bRelative to 16 major currencies, weighted by 1989-90 trade.

^aTotal government balance.

^bExcludes deposit insurance outlays.

^cWest Germany for 1970 and 1980.